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PROVISION FOR MONITORING OF PRESS AND
PROPAGANDA BROADCASTS OF FOREIGN POWERS

References: a. C.I.G. 1
b. C.I.G. Directive No. 2

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence

1. Pursuant to the provisions of C.I.G. Directive No. 2, an ad hoc committee conducted a study of the function of monitoring press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers and submitted a report to the Director of Central Intelligence, with copies to the Intelligence Advisory Board.
2. After consideration of this report and further study by the Central Intelligence Group, the enclosed report to the National Intelligence Authority has been prepared as a basis for action on this matter.
3. It is therefore recommended that the Intelligence Advisory Board concur in the submittal of the Enclosure for consideration by the National Intelligence Authority.

SIDNEY W. SOUERS,

Director.

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Report by the Director of Central Intelligence
with the unanimous concurrence of the
Intelligence Advisory Board

1. During the war, the Federal Communications Commission

(FCC) conducted a [REDACTED]

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, which monitored press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers. The FCC was in process of liquidating this agency when its functions were taken over by the War Department on an interim basis on 30 December 1945. The War Department requested that the Director of Central Intelligence assume responsibility for the proper disposition of the former FBIS function. An ad hoc committee was appointed by C.I.G. action to make this study. Their report has been submitted to the Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Advisory Board.

2. After consideration of all evidence submitted in the case, the Director of Central Intelligence concludes that:

a. the function of monitoring press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers is necessary;

b. the present organization performing this function under control of the War Department should be liquidated and supplanted by a new organization better adapted to serve the needs of authorized intelligence agencies;

c. the operation of the required monitoring system can be most efficiently performed by the War Department under directives as to collection and distribution to be issued by the Director of Central Intelligence.

Discussion upon which these conclusions are based is contained in Enclosure "B" (Appendix "B" hereto).

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3. The enclosed draft N.I.A. Directive has been prepared to provide the means for carrying out the recommendations based upon the above conclusions. It has been unanimously concurred in by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Advisory Board, which included the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a member for consideration of this matter.

4. It is recommended that the National Intelligence Authority approve the draft directive in Enclosure "A" (Appendix "A" hereto).